DEQ Assistance

- DWRF/SRF loans
- Financial Assessment program
- Outreach

Financial Assessments (FA)

- For water systems
- Populations of less than 10,000
- Voluntary and no charge

FA Process

- Submit documentation
- DEQ review
- Onsite visit
- DEQ prepares a FAP
- Sends FAP to community
- FAP is basis for DWRF loan
- Follow-up as necessary

Asset Management

- Asset management is a systematic process of operating, maintaining, and upgrading assets cost-effectively, (American Associate of State Highway and Transportation Officials)
- It's the active practice of managing the physical assets of an enterprise to achieve the maximum benefit from that asset

What if your car needs new tires?



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What is your car needs a new engine?



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Decision Factors

- · Cost of Repair
- How long the repair will last
- Age of the car
- Value of the car
- · Condition of the car
- Past experience with the car or other relevant experiences
- Do you have money to pay for the repair?
- Operation and maintenance cost of existing car
- How does spending money on the repair affect other financial needs?
- Cost of a new car (or "new to you" used car)
- How long the new car will lastCan you get a loan for the new
 - What interest rate

car?

- What payment terms
- Operation and maintenance
- Do you still need a car at all?
 Can you take the bus/train/car pool/bike/walk/car pool?

How do the two decisions compare?

Tire



- Easy choice
- Cost of a new tire is so small next to cost/value of car
- Repairing tire restores car to pre-tire failure condition
- Engine
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- Complicated decision
- Cost of repair is high
- Repair may not add enough life to car to be worth it
- Financing enters into the decision

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Benefits of Asset Management

- Make more informed decisions
- Save time by planning ahead
- Back up budget talks with solid facts
- Improve customer service

Asset Management Core Questions

- 1. What is current state of the Utility's assets?
- What is the Utility's required level of service (LOS)
- 3. Which assets are critical to sustained performance?
- 4. What are the Utility's best Capital Improvement Project (CIP) and O&M strategies?
- 5. What is the Utility's best long term financing strategy?

How Will it Help?

- · Asset management has many benefits
 - "Make investment decisions large and small based on understanding of life cycle costs and benefits."
 - "Set Service Levels and make investments needed to meet them – now and into the future."
 - "Reduce asset risk through capital investments, or changed maintenance practices and response protocols."

Asset inventory

- What is it?
- Where is it?
- · How much does it cost?
- How long will it last?
- How important is it?

Basic inventory worksheet

Asset	Remaining Useful Life	Importance	Redundancy	Priority (1 is high)	
Well 1 (1993)	21	Needed for service	Other well; but need backup		
Well 1 pump	1	Needed for service	l for service Other well, but need backup		
Well 2 (1993)	21	Needed for service	Other well, but need backup	6	
Well 2 pump	1	Needed for service	Other well, but need backup	3	
Pumphouse (1993)	21	Needed for service	Other well, but need backup	6	
Electrical components	1	Needed for control	No redundancy - corrosion	2	
Chlorinator (1993)	2	Mandatory	No redundancy - need backup	1	
Storage tank 1 (1993)	31	Need for fire flow and demand	Other tanks	6	
Storage tank 2 (1993)	31	Need for fire flow and demand	Other tanks	6	
Storage tank 3 (2000)	38	Need for fire flow and demand	Other tanks	6	

Inventory spreadsheet

ID Number	Category	Type	Size	Manufacturer	Serial Number	Location	Installation Date	Condition	Criticality	Comments
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CUPSS and Us

Getting Started in Asset Management Using



Check Up Program for Small Systems

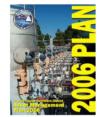
- Free, easy-to-use software
- Asset Management 101 for water/wastewater systems
- Prepare an asset management plan in 7 steps



What Will CUPSS Do?

- Track:
 - Inventory
 - Tasks
 - Finances





• Develop a personalized

Asset Management Plan!

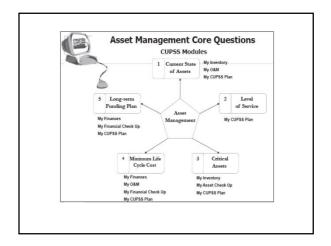


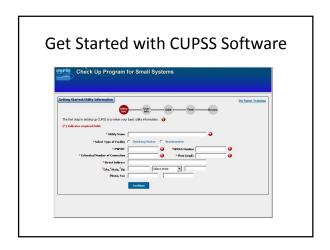
Who is CUPSS For?

- CUPSS is for small drinking water and wastewater utilities that want to:
 - Apply proactive decision making
 - Prevent surprises or worse
 - Establish, reach or maintain Level of Service goals
 - Comply with financial reporting procedures (GASB 34 or FASB) for a good credit rating
 - Implement long range planning



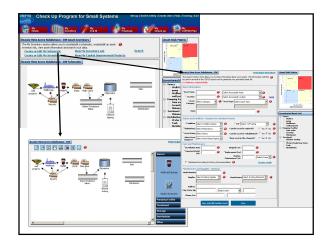


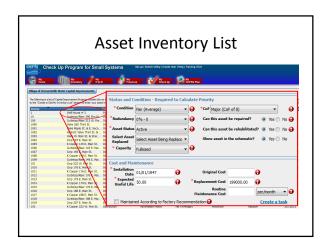


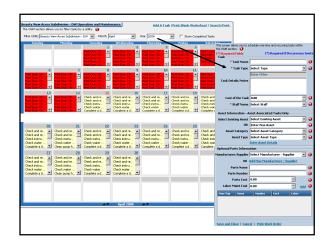


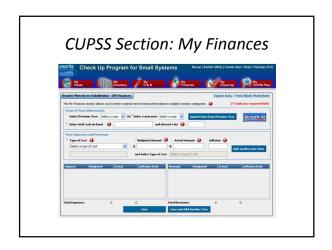


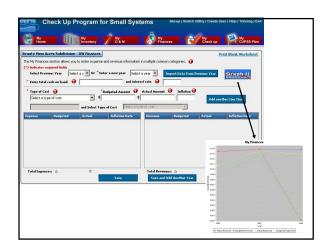




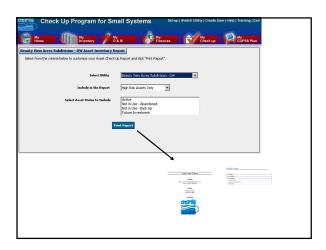


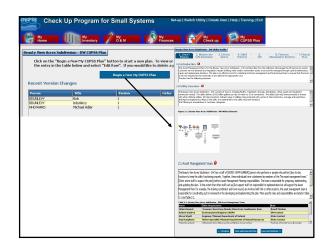




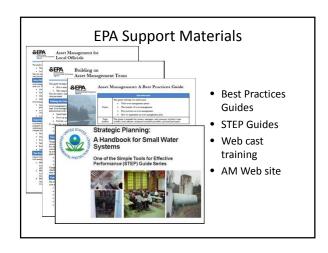


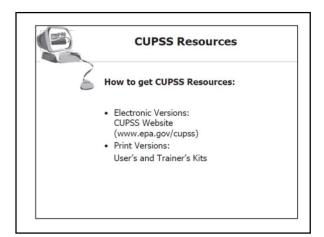


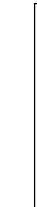












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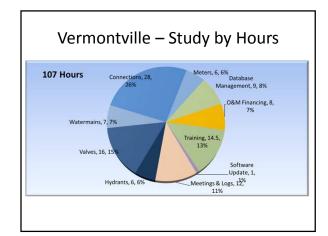
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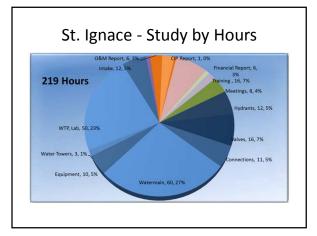
Importing Data

'Search' Feature

Vermontville Remarks Successes User-friendly Re-organizing Inventory • Start-up • Help Menus System Schematic • Generating Reports Prompts Software Response • Training Videos



St. Ignace Remarks Challenges Successes Saving items • Budgeting Reports O&M Tasks Valuable to DPW Re-organizing Inventory User Friendly 'Search' Feature Prompts Mapping & Time • Start-up Data Entry • User Guide



Lessons Learned:

- Realized many assets were not inventoried in any way
- CUPSS is a valid tool for more than just asset inventory

 - Budget setting
 Long range planning
 Producing reports for officials
- CUPSS is easy to learn and use
- EPA/CUPSS provides support and ongoing updates
- CUPSS is an active tool
- Small systems can benefit from CUPSS asset management planning

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